



UACHTARÁN NA hÉIREANN
PRESIDENT OF IRELAND

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Sr. Celestine Howe
Holy Faith Convent
Glasnevin
Dublin 11

Dear Sr. Howe,

I have learned with great pleasure that you will celebrate on 28 September, 2017 the hundredth anniversary of your birth.

What a wonderful occasion for you, your extended family and friends as you reminisce and celebrate a life great in years, and I have no doubt, rich in accomplishments. I join with your family and friends in wishing you a very happy birthday.

Born, as you were, in the second decade of the twentieth century, you have lived through remarkable times in the history of Ireland and the world. You have witnessed remarkable changes, in lifestyles and technological developments, unimaginable at the time of your birth in 1917.

May you be surrounded today by the warmth of happy memories and secure in the knowledge that you continue to make this world a better place for all who love you. I am delighted to send my warmest personal congratulations and most sincere good wishes, along with the enclosed centenarian payment.

Yours sincerely,

Michael D. Higgins
Uachtarán na hÉireann
President of Ireland